

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Attorney Docket No. 03-987)

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| Appl. No. | : | 10/701,235 | Confirmation No. 5256 |
| Applicant | : | Robert A. West | |
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| Examiner | : | Kenneth Bartley | |

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Examiner,

This Amendment is being filed along with a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified case. The Applicant hereby submits the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 7.